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FROM:

TO:

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Director and Chief Medical Officer

SUBJECT:

EDUCATIONAL CAR SEAT SAFETY PROGRAM TO ASSIST FOSTER AND RELATIVE CARE PROVIDERS IN THE COUNTY

On December 2, 2003, the Board approved a motion by Supervisor Antonovich, instructing the Directors of Health Services and Children and Family Services, with the Sheriff, to jointly apply for funding for an educational car seat safety program to assist foster and relative care providers in the County. This is a status report on developments since my March 31, 2004 memo.

On March 1, 2004, notification was sent from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) acknowledging that the proposal was received and was being reviewed for possible inclusion in the State's Highway Safety Plan for federal fiscal year 2004-05, which begins October 1, 2004. They also indicated when a decision was reached that a notification will be sent. The OTS Regional Coordinator, was contacted on May 18, and stated that notifications are still pending. I will keep you apprised of any further developments.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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